

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, lines 8-15:

This is a continuation-in-part of ~~The instant application claims priority to, and incorporates by reference,~~ United States Patent Application Serial Number 09/476,419, filed on December 30, 1999, and entitled "A RESOURCE MANAGER FOR PROVIDING USER-DEPENDENT ACCESS CONTROL FOR A NETWORK OF CONSUMER ELECTRONIC DEVICES", ~~(Attorney Docket No. SONY-50M2430.01),~~ This is also a continuation-in-part of ~~and~~ United States Patent Application Serial Number 09/281,636, filed on March 30, 1999, and entitled "METHOD OF MANAGING RESOURCES WITHIN A NETWORK OF CONSUMER ELECTRONIC DEVICES".

164 P 4/10/08 At page 44, lines <sup>14</sup>~~15~~-20:

The present invention, a computer implemented process for scheduling and executing service-based requests, has thus been described. The computer implemented process may include a computer readable medium containing therein computer readable codes for causing a computer system to perform a method of synchronizing different network activity over time as described above with reference to various embodiments. While the present invention has been described in particular embodiments, it should also be appreciated that the present invention